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In response to the Notice of Drawing Inconsistency with Specification dated July 17, 2003, we respectfully submit that the Brief Description does **not** refer to Figs. 2(a), 2(b), 3(a), 3(b), 4(a) and 4(b). The description on page 7 referring to Fig. 2 is broken down into subparagraphs (a) and (b) and does not refer to Figs. 2(a) and 2(b). The same is true for Figs. 3 and 4 on page 8, wherein the description is again broken down into subparagraphs (a) and (b). We respectfully request that there is no inconsistency between the specification and the drawings and that the requirement be withdrawn.

Respectfully submitted,

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